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1. [redacted] military headquarters and political offices near the front lines of Chinese Communist-controlled areas in Manchuria issued orders for the discontinuance of travel or communication across the lines. The order was rescinded [redacted] and people in possession of official identification documents and permits are once again allowed to enter Chinese Communist territory, although they are carefully watched by secret service plainclothes men. These agents are stricter and more methodical than those attached to military and political organizations during the period of blockade. 50X1-HUM
2. CHOU Wei-pin (周維斌), chief of the Harbin Public Safety Bureau, has organized a Joint Military and Police Investigation Corps for the special purpose of countering Kuomintang intelligence activities in Harbin. The city has been divided into seven districts: Taomai (道外), Taoli (道裡), Nankang (南崗), Machia (馬家), Muliangfang (香坊), Kungiang (殷香), and Machiaoch'uank'ou (馬家船口), also known as Sungkum (松花江). Aside from policemen, the Corps, divided into seven teams under the chief of the Public Safety Bureau, consists of 70 officers of the Harbin Garrison Headquarters, underground workers of the various teams, members of the pao-chia (保甲) organization of each district, and members of the Self-Defense Corps. [redacted] reports the replacement of CHOU Wei-pin in early November 1947 by CH'EN Lung (陳龍). 50X1-HUM
3. During the 1947 annual inspection of Harbin (in November ?) 19,071 persons, including 41 women, were arrested. About half the arrests were of officers or officials; the other half, of students and unemployed persons. These people were, and some are still being, detained for interrogation and investigation by the head office of the Public Safety Bureau. Those found to be guilty will be sent to Chiamusan (130-21, 46-49) or turned over to the civil courts for sentence and punishment. 50X1-HUM

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4. [] Hsien Yu-ch'in (謝雨琴), head of the Military and Civil Liaison Office (軍民聯絡處) and chairman of the Harbin Sino-Soviet Friendship Association, disappeared. A member of the Sungpei (松北) Clique of the Chinese Communist Party, he was, it was learned [] 50X1-HUM
- [] arrested by the Harbin Garrison Headquarters and found guilty of communicating with the Kuomintang and opposing the Chinese Communist "Immigration Policy". He will be sent to Chiamussu for punishment. 50X1-HUM
5. LIU Ch'eng-tung (劉成棟), mayor of Harbin, is at present under investigation by Chinese Communist authorities for opposing the "Immigration Policy". He maintained that the movement of persons and property should be discontinued during the cold months because people were freezing to death on the way to their new homes.
- [] Note: [] "Immigration Policy" [] probably means the redistribution of land and population according to the Chinese Communist Land Law, promulgated on 10 October 1947.)
- [] Note: [] replacement of LIU Ch'eng-tung by CHU Ch'i-wen (朱其文).) 50X1-HUM

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